## Dear Friends:

As we welcome in 2008, we are reminded not only of our good fortune last year, but of everything that we anticipate in the new year. Our commitment to you is to continue our incredible services and programs that you have come to expect and to continuously look for opportunities to involve and engage you in our wonderful community.

At the Department of Senior Affairs, 2008 is already shaping up to be another banner year. On Albuquerque's west side, the highly anticipated Los Volcanes Senior Fitness Center is due to open this spring. Designed by Mahlman Studio Architecture, this 5,100 square foot, state of the art center, will provide members with strength training equipment, an aerobics room, showers, and an outside yoga garden. If exercise is already part of your life, or, if you have never set foot in a gym, now is the time to embark on an exercise regimen that will improve your quality of life. Los Volcanes Fitness Center staff will provide orientations on how to operate the equipment and a variety of classes to help you develop your exercise savvy. Los Volcanes Senior Fitness Center is our third fitness facility—we are committed to providing you the services you want, and now we are delivering.

Also in 2008, Senior Affairs will begin design work on building improvements for Barelas and North Valley Senior Centers. Funded by State grants and by General Obligation bonds, work on these projects will be announced at a later time, but will again, provide our participants with beautiful, updated facilities.

The Department of Senior Affairs is constantly on the move. From developing programs for baby boomers and for its traditional senior center users, or for its health and exercise proponents, it is a dynamic, fluid Department that is eagerly awaiting you to join their ranks.

In 2008, I hope you will experience first-hand, what all the excitement is about at Senior Affairs. I thank you for your continued support.

Health and happiness.

Martin J. Chávez, Mayor City of Albuquerque